

Iron County Register.

By H. D. AKE.

IRONTON, MISSOURI

The Younger brothers, recently paroled from the Minnesota state prison, will act as salesmen for a St. Paul, dealer in gravestones and monuments.

Plans are said to be under way for a consolidation of the leading hat manufacturers of the United States and the formation of a company to be capitalized at \$20,000,000.

The transport Thomas sailed from San Francisco for Manila, on the 23d, with 500 teachers on board, who are going to accept positions in the schools of the Philippines.

J. D. Eckman, manager of the joint rate inspection bureau at Indianapolis, Ind., died in that city on the night of the 23d. He was known among railroad men all over the country.

United States Senator James K. Jones addressed the people of White county, Ark., on the 24th, on the issues of the day. He said he expected the next president to be a democrat.

Constitution was created in Newport, R. I., on the evening of the 24th, when a shell from the battleship Kearsarge came screaming into the city and knocked a chip out of the new city hall building.

Lord Kitchener reports that "a train with 113 men and stores, from Cape Town, was captured and burned at Scheepers, eight miles north of Beaufort West, with a loss of three men killed and 18 wounded."

It was apparent in Pittsburgh, on the evening of the 24th, that fresh and decidedly important developments in the strike on the steel works were about to take place, the nature of which was not so clear.

Dr. W. C. Gray, of Chicago, for 25 years editor of the "Interior," the organ of the Presbyterian church, has disposed of his interest in the paper and resigned. The paper has been incorporated, with a capital of \$50,000.

E. L. Shaffer, of Ohio, was, on the 25th, elected president of the International Mining congress at Boise, Idaho. Fred R. Reed, of Boise, was chosen vice-president, and Irvin Mason was re-elected secretary without opposition.

Secretary Long, in accordance with the request from Rear-Admiral Schley, advised that officer, on the 24th, that he would order a court of inquiry to examine into the entire matter of Admiral Schley's course in the Santiago campaign.

Four persons, believed to be members of the notorious Bender family, accused of committing a score of murders near Galena, Kas., a quarter of a century ago, are said to have been located near Fort Collins, Col., where they are under surveillance.

The disastrous effects of the continued intolerable heat in St. Louis became apparent in a most aggravated form, on the 24th, when men began to drop over on the streets, some dying instantly and others hurried to the city hospital for treatment.

Late on the afternoon of the 24th it was suddenly discovered that several of the suspension rods of the north cable of the Brooklyn bridge were broken. The damage was small, but it caused considerable of a furor for a time. The breaks were due to heat expansion.

Reports from the drought-stricken section, on the 23d, indicated no let-up in the serious conditions. Temperatures, for the most part, averaged as high as the day before, with here and there a thunder shower. No permanent relief can be felt, however, until there is a general rain.

A law and order league has been organized at Firt Sill, I. T., to suppress rooks. Handbills have been issued which say: "Notice is hereby served on all confidence men, pickpockets, thieves and crooks who are caught playing their vocation, that they will be hanged to the nearest tree."

The new liberal Danish cabinet, the formation of which was announced on the 23d, favors the sale of the Danish West Indies to the United States, and the minister of foreign affairs, Dr. Deuntzer, is familiarizing himself with the details of the case with a view to continuing the negotiations to this end.

F. Wayland Brown, who, with Dr. August M. Unger, was convicted of conspiracy to defraud an insurance company in the famous Defenbach case, was, on the 25th, released from jail in Chicago, and the verdict sentencing him to the penitentiary vacated, an order imposing a fine of \$2,000 being substituted.

In the course of an address delivered before a health congress held at Eastbourne, England, on the 25th, Dr. Robert Koch, of Berlin, spoke of the treatment of malaria. He reiterated his dictum that malaria does not emanate from swamps, it is caused by the inoculation of mosquitoes and gnats. He further said that malarial parasites could be stamped out with quinine treatment.

A phenomenal thunderstorm, accompanied by hail and incessant lightning, raged for a couple of hours in London on the 25th. Streets were turned into rivers. The water, overflowing the sidewalks, entered dwellings and poured down every opening. The underground railroad was flooded, and trains were stopped. Much damage was done, also, to crops and other property outside the city.

From a preliminary report dated June 24, received from the special agent in charge of the seal islands of Alaska, it is thought that the number of seals which will be taken during the present season will not equal that of last year, when about 22,500 seal-skins were secured. The agent, however, reports a preponderance of large seals, the skins of which probably will exceed in weight those of previous years.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE.

PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

Jerman Reisco was formally proclaimed president of Chili on the 25th. He was elected to the office June 25. On the 25th the Berlin chief of police ordered the last storage batteries removed from the street cars.

Rebecca L. A. Kimberley said, on the 25th, that owing to ill health he would ask to be relieved from serving on the Sampson-Schley court of inquiry.

A good rain fell at Muskogee, I. T., on the night of the 24th, and the temperature fell 20 degrees.

Fire, at Davenport, Ia., on the 25th, laid waste an acre of saw mill and residence property equal to 20 city blocks, entailing a loss of \$700,000. One hundred families were rendered homeless.

Chili is jeopardizing the success of the Pan-American congress by an intimation that she desires to do as she pleases, regardless of her neighbors. In other words, she has been invited to a party and wants to run the affair.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Leaf, of Colorado Springs, Col., are the proud parents of possibly the largest baby boy ever born in America. His net weight is 17 pounds, height 24 inches and chest measurement 15 1/2 inches.

The plant of the Cincinnati Desiccating Co., manufacturers of fertilizers at Jones Station, seven miles west of Cincinnati, was destroyed by fire on the night of the 25th. Two dwellings were also destroyed. The loss is \$80,000; partly insured.

J. F. Phelan & Co.'s big dry goods store at Sioux City, Ia., was destroyed by fire, on the 25th, supposed to have been started by the concentration of the sun's rays in the front show windows. The loss is \$80,000. Several of the clerks were injured in trying to escape.

The latest development in the fight between Senators Tillman and McLaurin, in South Carolina, came on the 25th, when the executive committee of the democratic state committee adopted a resolution ruling Senator McLaurin out of the democratic party.

At the session of the Minnesota Bankers' association, at Duluth, on the 25th, a resolution was adopted disapproving of the parole of the Youngers and deprecating the notoriety given them.

A New York dispatch of the 25th says that investigation of the breaks in the suspension rods of the Brooklyn bridge reveals a shameful neglect of the bridge structure on the part of the bridge commissioners.

Secretary Long, on the 25th named the Schley court of inquiry as follows: Admiral George Dewey, president, and Rear-Admirals Louis A. Kimberly and Andrew E. K. Benham (retired). Capt. Lemly is named as judge advocate.

A small snowfall occurred in the upper end of Estes park, near Lyons, Col., on the 25th. Long's peak looked white with snow at night. The weather was quite chilly.

Arguments on the application of Lone Wolf and other disgruntled Indians, for an order enjoining the federal government from opening the Kiowa-Comanche and Apache reservations to settlement, were heard at El Paso, Okla., before Judge C. F. Irwin, of the territorial court, on the 25th. The hearing closed at noon and Judge Irwin reserved his decision.

The heaviest rain of the year fell over northwest Missouri, on the 26th, soaking the ground completely and effectually breaking the drought, which had covered a period of six weeks. From a half to three-quarters of an inch of water fell. Corn is lost beyond hope of redemption, but pastures will be greatly benefited.

A formal invitation to be present in Salt Lake City, Utah, during the Elks' street carnival, in September, and to christen the live elk, has been forwarded to Vice-President Roosevelt by a committee representing the Elks' lodges of that city.

The tuberculosis congress, just adjourned in London, recommended the enactment of laws with severe penalties to prevent expectoration upon the streets or in public places.

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A heavy shock of earthquake was felt throughout a large portion of Nevada at 2:30 p. m. of the 26th. The vibrations were from north to south, and lasted several seconds.

On the 26th R. G. Dun & Co. reported: "Failures for the week numbered 198 in the United States, against 231 last year, and 28 in Canada, against 28 last year."

The detailed figures of the foreign commerce of the United States in the year ended June 30, 1901, were completed by the treasury bureau of statistics on the 26th. They show total imports \$22,673,016; total exports, \$1,487,755,557; exports of domestic products, \$1,460,453,809.

Edgar and Harley Dahlymphe, brothers, were available in the Bear river at Montpelier, Idaho, on the 26th, while bathing. Gov. Yates of Illinois says there seems to be some misapprehension on the part of some of the politicians of the state as to who is governor; but that there need be none, as he intends to live up to his ante-election pledges.

The charter prepared for the government of the city of Manila is patterned closely after that of Washington, D. C. Some of the Spanish elements, don't like it, but they will have to accept it nevertheless.

The trial for manslaughter of Robert Fosburg, Jr., at Pittsburg, Mass., came to an abrupt termination, on the 26th, by Judge Stevens announcing from the bench that the commonwealth had wholly failed to make a case, and instructing the jury to render a verdict of acquittal.

Bad blood among the Boer prisoners in St. Helena over the question of taking the oath of allegiance to King Edward has led to so much fighting and disorder that it has been necessary to remove those who have taken the oath to a separate inclosure.

George Kennan, the well-known author and lecturer, who was in St. Petersburg, preparing for another tour of Russia, was, on the 26th, waited upon by a high police official and peremptorily ordered to leave Russia by ten o'clock that night.

About 2 p. m., on the 26th, the ammonia tank at the Memphis (Tenn.) Ice Co.'s factory exploded, wrecking the works. Engineer John Smith was instantly killed and a stranger named Harrington was fatally injured.

Secretary of the Navy Long, on the 26th, issued the precept for the Schley court of inquiry. The document was prepared by Capt. Samuel C. Lemly, law officer of the department, who has been detailed as judge advocate of the court, which will meet September 12.

In the arrest of Frank E. Rice, a Chicago ticket broker, detectives of the Western Passenger association believe they have unearthed a conspiracy to defraud western railroads out of large sums of money. Rice was arrested on a charge of forgery and conspiracy. He gave bonds of \$4,500.

Amid the enthusiastic cheers of nearly ten thousand persons, Creseus, the world's famous trotting stallion, again demonstrated that he is the peer of all trotters by trotting a mile over the Glenville track at Cleveland, O., on the 26th, in 2:02 3/4. This establishes a new record.

A Manila dispatch of the 26th says: Gen. Hughes cables the news of the first surrender of insurgents in the island of Samar, 500 men, with two field guns, 35 rifles and 70 bolos, giving themselves up to the authorities.

THE LATE NEWS ITEMS.

Newspaper reports received at Kingston, Jamaica, from Panama assert that the insurgents are operating in large numbers in the vicinity of the city, and that an order had been issued by the government calling upon the citizens to concentrate in order to repel attacks and to protect property. Panama is guarded from the sea by a gunboat.

"I believe in prayer," said Champ Clark, congressman from the Ninth district, to a Kansas City reporter. "Missouri was saved from a scourge of grasshoppers by a prayer proclamation issued by Gov. Hardin, but I think that Gov. Dockery was a little late with his proclamation. It's like locking the stable after the horse is gone. There won't be five bushels of corn in my township in Pike county."

Inheritance Tax Law. State Auditor Allen has printed in pamphlet form, convenient for the use of the officers charged with its enforcement the collateral inheritance tax law, with brief digest of the same, and forms for use in carrying its provisions into effect, which he has compiled and prepared with laborious care. About \$150,000 of this tax has been collected and paid into the state treasury.

Traders' Grain Company Falls. The Traders' Grain Co., of Kansas City, stopped payment the other day, and it is said the liabilities amount to \$150,000. The company operated on a capital of \$20,000. The failure was caused by the advance in both corn and wheat, aided by heavy buying orders of country customers.

Expensive Drum Beating. Mrs. Frederick L. Deck, No. 3953 Junonia street, St. Louis, was fined \$25 for allowing her son, aged nine years, to beat a drum, and disturbing the peace of W. H. Smith, who works at night. So far \$375 has been assessed against Mrs. Deck on account of the drum beating.

Large Wheat Crop Burned. One hundred and fifty acres of wheat in the shock, belonging to W. H. H. Stephens, near Buncheon, was destroyed by fire. It is thought that sparks from a passing train were the cause. The loss is estimated at \$2,000, with no insurance.

Died in the Hog Lot. The body of Rufus E. Tower, a well-known stock dealer, was found in his hog lot at Mendville, Linu county. It was badly mangled by hogs. It is thought Mr. Tower, who was elderly, was overcome by heat.

Water Question at Monett. The water question for Monett was finally settled the other day, when a subterranean stream was tapped at a depth of 160 feet. There was universal rejoicing in Monett.

Drought Responsible. Citizens of Boone county have decided not to call an election to vote bonds for a new courthouse at Columbia. Drought is responsible for the decision.

Missouri is Seventh. During the past year Missouri paid \$17,565,648 internal revenue. Illinois, New York, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Indiana and Kentucky exceed Missouri.

Killed by the Flyer. Frank Long and Grover Lemmon, Nevada boys, aged 18 and 21 years, were run over and killed by the Katy flyer at Clayton, Vernon county.

Boy Killed by Lightning. In Mazon county two young sons of Fred Harmon, a farmer, sought refuge under a tree, during a storm, and one was killed by lightning.

His Head Blown Off. Near Minder, Barton county, Charles Carlton was killed by the premature explosion of giant powder. His head was blown off.

Would Make a River. From July 17 to July 24, inclusive, there were 698,828,070 gallons of water used in St. Louis. This would make a good-sized river.

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Recent Deaths.

Oliver L. Hagan, a well-known theatrical manager, at St. Louis. Benjamin Wills, aged 50, at his home in Cooper county, from the effects of a heat. He was a prominent stock raiser.

N. K. Hall, a pioneer of St. Louis county.

Mort Piper, of Marshall. Jesse Pemberton, at Salem, aged 51. William McEntire, a retired merchant, at Monroe City, aged 80. August Van Evercorn, a prominent grocer in Hannibal, of heart trouble.

Lincoln Institute.

Prof. Innan E. Page, of Langston college, Oklahoma, who was elected president of Lincoln institute, Jefferson City, by the board of regents in June, has notified Superintendent of Schools Carrington that he will not be able to accept the proffered position. The board of regents were notified, and the matter will be investigated. While it directs that the "entire matter" of Admiral Schley's conduct during the operations in West Indian waters shall be investigated, making use of the very words employed by Admiral Schley in his letter to Secretary Long, it also selects certain distinctive acts of the rear-admiral concerning the facts and propriety of which it calls for particular investigation.

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Thought to Save His Love and Possessed With His Would-Be Rescuer.

Louisville, Ky., July 29.—It developed that Max Belovitch, the cigar manufacturer, who lost his life in the fire that destroyed the Badgely-Graham photographic supply store, at 349 West Jefferson street, Saturday night, dashed up the stairs to save the life of a young woman to whom he was greatly attached, and who, he thought, was in a flat above. Police-man James Purdon, who also lost his life, went up stairs in the burning building in an effort to save Belovitch.

Fire Captains Timothy Lehan, Firemen Burnett Hardin, Charles Keller, Charles Brown and Harry Swain, and Policeman John Lepp were injured either by being overcome by heat or smoke or by falling into the cellar of the burning building. None of them is seriously hurt.

The fire, which is supposed to have been caused by an explosion of chemicals, completely gutted the photographic supply store of the Badgely-Graham Co., causing a loss of \$8,500; did \$5,500 damage to the stock of W. D. Gatchell & Son, photographic supply store on the east; \$12,000 damage to the stock of the Stewart Dry Goods Co., east of Gatchell's, and \$1,000 damage